

	POLICY - WASTE MANAGEMENT – BINS AND WAIVERS	2.2	
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1. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to provide guidance for the application of “mobile garbage bins”, vouchers or a waiver system, in relation to Waste Management within the Municipality.

2. SCOPE

This policy relates to all properties within the Glamorgan Spring Bay Municipality.

3. POLICY

Council has resolved that the introduction of a municipal wide waste collection programme is to be borne by all ratepayers in the municipality by way of charges that have been levied.

In the interest of introducing a cohesive system, Council has determined to maintain the adopted “Base Levy” without reduction, except through the qualification of hardship or disability.

To maintain a workable, flexible programme Council has introduced “Genuine Hardship or Disability Guidelines” with an objective process to ascertain whether a ratepayer qualifies for consideration of relief to some or all waste management charges and / or the provision of a non-standard service.

Genuine Hardship

Genuine Hardship would be established where the applicant:

- Has documented evidence of hardship beyond say that would be experienced by a normal pensioner or recipient of a Federal Government allowance. Documented evidence would include a statement from a professional health or social worker to the effect that the person in question relies wholly on welfare payment, does not have family or other similar support and in the opinion of the professional person is unable to meet commitments to waste fees and charges levied by Council.

Genuine Disability

Genuine disability for the purposes of this policy would be established where the applicant:

- Has a disability that in the opinion of a professional health worker prevents the person from accessing normal Council waste services including domestic collection or the use of vouchers at a transfer station and independent assessment by the Community Development officer ascertains that there is no

likelihood of family, neighborhood or other alternative methods of accessing Council waste management services.

The consideration of relief relates to normal household waste and recyclables but does not include green waste.

The General Manager will document all applications for relief in line with the criteria, indicating reasons for reaching a decision of the applicant for relief.

CONVERSION – kerbside collection to facility voucher

A residential property owner may apply to the General Manager, via the relevant application form ([Application for Conversion](#)) to replace issued “mobile bins” with a Waste Management Centre voucher provided the following criteria is met:

- Disabled / Invalid Pensioner
- Temporary Resident ie Shack Owner
- House located more than 100 metres from road frontage.

A voucher entitles the recipient to gain access to the Waste Management Centre free of charge, on a weekly basis, to dispose of residential rubbish up to the volume of a standard 140 litre bin.

Standard Base Levy and Service Charge apply

WAIVER – Annual kerbside collection service charge

Where a residential property owner lives in an area of the municipality where Council does not service a kerbside collection, then the resident may apply to the General Manager, via the ([Application for Conversion](#)) form for a “waiver” of the current kerbside collection service charge.

If an application is approved, the property owner must arrange, via the Works and Services Department, for the return of the previously issued kerbside collection bins or vouchers. Once returned, a reimbursement is applicable in the following format:

- If a waiver is approved during July to December then a 6 month reimbursement of the current service charge is applicable.
- If a waiver is approved during January to June no reimbursement is payable.

ISSUE OF NEW / ADDITIONAL COLLECTION BINS

Following the issue of new or additional bin sets to a property, the following cost structure will apply:

- 100% “Base Levy” (for new service) plus:
- Bins delivered to a property during July to December – 100% “Service Charge” or
- Bins delivered to a property during January to June – a pro rata “Service Charge” of 50% applies.

BIN OWNERSHIP

Allocated residential and commercial bins issued to a property remain attached with the property following the sale of the property or relocation of a tenant.

Missing bins following change of ownership attract a full replacement fee borne by the original property owner.

4. IMPLEMENTATION

The policy will be implemented immediately following endorsement by Council.

5. DELEGATION

N A

6. RESPONSIBILITY

The compliance of this policy is the responsibility of the General Manager and Manager Works and Services.

7. REPORTING

N A

8. STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

N A

9. REFERENCES

N A

10. ATTACHMENTS

N A